

# FOSTER GRANDPARENT PROGRAM



## ADVISORY COUNCIL

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### MEETING

*April 21, 2010*

#### **MEMBERS PRESENT**

Concepcion Bardi  
Teresa Gamboa  
Ramon Jimenez  
Alicia Rivera  
Maritza Ruley  
Mary J Silva  
Terry Smith  
Ofelia Tiscareno  
Heinrich Uhrmacher

#### **ABSENT**

Trini Acosta  
Nelda Antunez  
Rocio Lozano  
Ruben Rodriguez

#### **STAFF**

Beatriz Rivera  
Rosario Ortiz  
Janet Gonzalez

Quorum met.

#### **CALL TO ORDER**

Mr. Jimenez called meeting at 1:35 p.m.

#### **MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING**

Minutes for the previous meeting were reviewed. Ramon Jimenez made motion to accept minutes Heinrich seconded, motion passed. Minutes accepted.

#### **WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS**

Rosario Ortiz welcomed everyone and introduced herself. Maria Valdivia was unable to attend meeting, she is attending a mandatory training out of town. The council members and staff introduced themselves. There is a new member to the council, Terry Smith, appointed from District #1. There is also a new member to the council; Foster Grandparent Ofelia Tiscareno also introduced herself.

## **COORDINATOR'S REPORT**

The banquet will be held at the Wynham again this year. There were three bids obtained and the Wynham offered better pricing and services. It is tentatively scheduled for December 10, 2010. The council was asked to make any suggestions to a gift for the foster grandparents. They were also asked to suggest any entertainment for the banquet. Mr. Jimenez suggested a trio.

A new class was conducted with 19 volunteer applicants but only 13 were accepted into the program. The Sheriff's office comes to the training to obtain the fingerprints to be processed for criminal background. It is conducted free of charge. In the past the program would pay \$5.00 per applicant.

A pinning ceremony was held on April 9. The sites nominated the most outstanding volunteer at their station.

The city will implement the new schedule for 5 months this year. The staff will be working ten hour workdays for only four days out of the week. City Hall will close on Fridays; this will be from May – September. The program will have a cell for emergencies. The sites are the only ones with the telephone number.

## **COMMITTEE REPORT**

None to report.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

None to report

## **NEW BUSINESS**

Station evaluations need to be completed by the sites to be turned in with the federal reapplication grant. The stations evaluate the program overall. The council members were each assigned five sites. Council members who were not present will be mailed their evaluations.

Summer placements will be held where summer school is offered and at different recreation centers.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Notices for the next meeting date and location will be mailed to the council members.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Meeting adjourned at 2:32 p.m.

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Reviewed by Maria I. Valdivia  
*Coordinator*

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Approved by Santiago Gonzalez  
*Program Advisory Council President*